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1. BY RTG CABINET DECISIONOF JAN 21, AIR SIAM AND THAI INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYS WILL BE MERGED EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1977, ON COMPLETION OF CURRENT SEVEN-YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THAI INTER AND SAS. CABINET ORDER LEAVES TO NEXT GOVERNMENT TASK OF CARRYING OUT PROPOSED MERGER.

2. AIR SIAM HAS LONG SOUGHT TO FORCE MERGER ON THAI INTERNATIONAL, WHILE THAI INTER, PRESUMABLY PRODDED BY SAS WHICH HAS 30 PERCENT INTEREST IN THAI INTER, HAS RESISTED SUCH PRESSURES. WE CANNOT AT THIS TIME PREDICT WITH ANY CONFIDENCE LIKELIHOOD THAT PROPOSED MERGER WILL BE CARRIED OUT. HOWEVER, IN REGARD TO U.S. INTERESTS, OUR GUESS IS THAT IN UPCOMING USG-RTG CONSULTATIONS, THAI INTER WILL HAVE VESTED INTEREST, WHICH IT DID NOT HAVE PREVIOUSLY, IN SUPPORTING QUEST FOR MAJOR EXPANSION ROUTE RIGHTS FROM USG.
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